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Disaster Setup Wins Praise in Army Maneuver

State Disaster Panel and Organizations of Four Counties Pass Test With Flying Colors

Colonel Lynn G. Adams, Coordinator of the State Disaster Plan, has expressed his gratification at the participation by the State Disaster Panel and the Disaster organization of four counties in the United States Army maneuvers of Sunday, April 29. The Colonel and his Executive Officer, Joseph B. Hutchison, were in touch with a number of counties for some days before the exercise and during April 29.

"I was impressed with the speed with which responses came to us on requests for information in carrying out the problems on the State Control Center program. Our people were on the job and rendered a good account of themselves. Requests were made for fire apparatus, trucks, bulldozers and other equipment which were handled expeditiously showing that inventories were in shape" said Colonel Adams. "Of course, some weaknesses developed and immediate steps were taken to correct them. I think it would be a good plan if we could have an exercise in control centers every month along the same lines. It would give the people connected with the State Disaster Panel opportunity for closer and faster cooperation and bring us into touch with various counties. I found the Disaster officers in York, Lebanon, Lancaster and Dauphin Counties right on the job".

The State Disaster Panel with a few exceptions was on duty the whole prescribed time at the State Control Center. The telephones were manned by volunteers and people connected with departments of the State Government, the Red Cross and various agencies, and participated in the solution of problems.

There are now 657 Disaster Coordinators. Of these 67 are county; 30 county deputies; 46 city; 348 borough and 166 township.

Carry Nutrition to the Orient

Children of Chinese-American families take part in nutrition tests and demonstrations as a part of the program of Nutrition Research and Education of the War Services, State Council of Defense. On the right is Dr. Woot Tsuen Wu, a Chinese student, trained in the Pennsylvania human nutrition studies over a period of six years. Dr. Wu is now working on nutrition problems of the Orient with Lend-Lease.

Lackawanna Co. Nurse's Aide Program Outstanding

Lackawanna County has an outstanding record in the nurse's aide training program, P. Anthony Sweet, personnel office of the Lackawanna County Council of Defense stated in his report of the State Council of Defense.

The program was supervised by Mrs. James A. Linen, Jr., and Mrs. Stanley Smith, who had charge of the Carbondale area of the American Red Cross.

The report shows a total of 29 separate classes were trained for 90 hours or more. All classes total 495 individuals graduating in this training program. The actual number of hours served by these nurse's aides in Lackawanna County, under the Scranton Chapter, total 114,901. In addition, the nurse's aides have served at several U. S. Army hospitals.

Honor Wardens

Air raid wardens of Coplay received certificates of merit at a ceremony held recently at that place. Arthur Miller, CARW, awarded the certificates.

Teaching Foreign Families How To Balance Meals

Pennsylvania is probably one of the better fed states in the country, judging by records of food sale and home production; and yet the Pennsylvania nutrition program reveals that few persons who have been tested have been in an optimum state of physical well-being in so far as nutrition is concerned. Where improvements in food selection have been followed with many of the subjects who have later been retested, improvements in the way the persons have felt and functioned have been general.

Among the many persons whose dietary habits and physical state have been studied, representatives from the racial and national groups comprising Pennsylvania's vast population have been included. The traditional food habits of many of these peoples are excellent in some respects; although too frequently those of foreign extraction have failed to adapt themselves to the changed markets in this country. This has led to an unbalanced dietary, with many of the attendant ills of malnutrition. An example is seen in Chinese-American children residing in one of our cities who have been studied. Few of the mothers of these children speak English, and the dietary which they provide for their family consists of those foods with which they were familiar in China, and which are available in their adopted American city. As a result, nearly three-fourths of their food by weight, on the average, was found to be rice, with the only American foods added to take the place of the Chinese foods unobtainable here those

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Blackouts Called Off By Council; Order $85,000 Cut In Operating Costs

Both Governor Martin and Dr. Hutchison call on Civilian Defense workers to stand by for any service essential to winning of war plan vigorous food conservation and nutrition programs.

Doctor Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense of Pennsylvania, has called upon all men and women enrolled in Civilian Defense to stand by for any service which may be required of them until the war with Japan is won. This followed the action of the State Council on May 22 in which it was determined to maintain the important War Services organizations and to have the Protective Services on a readiness basis.

Doctor Hutchison formally announces repeal of all blackout rules and regulations of February 17, 1943 "effective immediately."

Chairmen of County Councils of Defense were asked to continue county organizations and to urge Local Defense Councils to do the same so they will "be prepared for any service necessary for winning this war or for service in the protection of life and property during emergency or disaster." Emergency Wardens, Auxiliary Police, Auxiliary Firemen, Auxiliary Forest Fire Fighters, Rescue Squads, Utility Repair Corps and all other organizations of the Protective Services are to continue on a stand by basis until the end of the war. All Property Officers, having custody of the millions of dollars worth of Federally owned fire apparatus and emergency medical supplies were reminded of their full responsibility for such property until disposition is ordered. The State Council has received no information as to plans of the Federal Government for future handling of this property which includes over 1400 fire pumps.

Compensation Out

Doctor Hutchison also announced termination of the War Security Program under which compensation was awarded to persons enrolled in Civilian

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As this issue of the DEFENSE NEWS went to press we were shocked by the death of A. Boyd Hamilton, Deputy Director and Secretary of the State Council of Defense.

Full obituary will be carried in the next issue of the NEWS.

Col. W. E. Pierce Acting as Deputy Director of SCD

Lt. Colonel William E. Pierce, Industrial Protection Officer, Third Service Command, is acting as Deputy Director of the State Council since the untimely death of A. Boyd Hamilton.

Col. Pierce has been closely associated with the State Council since January 1942 and is widely known in CD circles throughout the Commonwealth.

Col. Pierce will continue to carry on his regular Army duties.

Phila. Again Walks Off With Paper Salvage Award

For the second time in six months, Philadelphia has won a double War Production Board award for leading the State in waste paper collection. Two pennants—one for collecting more paper per capita than any other county in Pennsylvania and the second for collecting more than 20 pounds per person, during March — were presented at the spring meeting of the Salvage and Conservation Committee of the Philadelphia Council of Defense.

The presentation was made to Warner F. Haldeman, committee chairman, by Colley S. Baker of the State Salvage Committee.

Asset In Peace Time . . .

Retention of Medical Equipment And Supplies Strongly Urged

Dr. E. E. Shifferstine, Chief Emergency Medical Officer of the State Council of Defense, has filed a supplemental report with Dr. Hutchison in which he strongly urges that the vast amount of Emergency Medical equipment and supplies on deposit for defense emergencies in Pennsylvania communities be retained after the war by the municipalities wherein they are now stored. Dr. Shifferstine in an earlier report made representation to Dr. Hutchison that steps should be taken in any re-organization of the Protective Services of the State Council to continue the Emergency Medical Units. Many of these have rendered excellent service in areas flooded in the last year or so and in connection with fires, explosions and other disaster as well as after the tornado in Southwestern Pennsylvania last summer.

Dr. Shifferstine notes there are over 13,000 First Aid Pouches in various parts of the State together with thousands

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Reservoir of Manpower . . .

Col. Adams Emphasizes Need of Auxiliary Police as Reserves

Col. Lynn G. Adams, Commander of the Protective Services and State Disaster System Coordinator, sums up the value of Auxiliary Police in a statement for Defense News. He points out importance of Auxiliary Policemen as reserves due to their training, patriotic service in Civilian Defense and contacts.

Col. Adams says in his statement:

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Pennsylvania's waste paper collection goal for May is 75,000 tons.

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which they observe Americans eating on the streets — soft drinks, hot dogs, pretzels, and candy.

The nutrition organization of the War Services, Pennsylvania State Council of Defense is making an especial effort to reach the families of foreign backgrounds in order to teach them how to preserve their traditional food cultures while still combining these with those additional foods needed for well-balanced meals.

State College Red Cross Club Director in Manila

Among the first American Red Cross women to enter the city of Manila after American forces had routed the Japanese, was Assistant Club Director Alice Thompson of State College. With two others, she was flown in on February 4 by the Sixth Army to assist its Civil Affairs Section in caring for liberated prisoners of war civilian internees.

WHAT OTHER STATES ARE DOING

Michigan — Mount Clemons Civilian Defense Auxiliary Firemen were called out to aid regular firemen battle a large fire in the business district. These auxiliaries were given a large amount of credit for helping to confine the fire to a small area. Auxiliary Policemen were also called out and the Police Chief complimented these men on their valuable service in policing the area during and immediately after the fire.

Washington — Auxiliary Firemen and Policemen throughout the State have been commended for the fine work they have done. They have been asked to continue their services after the war as a valuable asset to their respective communities.

Indiana — Civilian Defense volunteers aided regular Forest Fire Fighters in battling 15 large fires.

Colorado—The Colorado State Legislature has unanimously reenacted the statute continuing State and Local Defense Councils for the coming biennium.

It was pointed out that even though the War with Germany is nearing an end, the World War is only half over and there should be no let-down in effort on the home front. Hence, there is a continuing need for State and Local Councils to be kept functioning and prepared for any eventualities.

Dr. Haas Urges Nutrition Study In Grade Schools

Dr. Francis B. Haas, State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Chairman of the State Council of Defense Advisory Committee on Education, has warmly commended the nutritional activities of the War Services Branch of the State Council. These are under the direction of Dr. Pauline Beery Mack, of State College, who as a volunteer has given service of the utmost value on Nutritional since she became connected with Mrs. Scranton's Staff. In a short time, packets of Nutritional information, much of which is based upon the results of Dr. Mack's researches and scientific tests on nutrition conducted in industrial centers, will be issued to principals of high schools and many grade schools throughout the Commonwealth.

Dr. Haas in a statement upon the CD Nutritional activities says:

"Nutrition is a subject which widely concerns all ages and conditions of people. Reliable information must be made available if the hungry of the world are to be fed and the girls and boys of all lands are to develop sound, healthy bodies

"The Pennsylvania State Council of Defense has been reviewing professional and commercial materials in the field of nutrition prepared by institutions and business houses. The purpose of this study has been to make available those materials which are especially adapted for use in nutrition work in elementary and secondary schools.

"I recommend the work of the Council for your careful consideration and advise you that information concerning the materials for teachers and supervisors may be secured by writing to The Nutritional Program of the State Council of Defense, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Penna."

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Pennsylvania's waste paper collection goal for May is 75,000 tons.

TEACHING FOREIGN

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which they observe Americans eating on the streets — soft drinks, hot dogs, pretzels, and candy.

The nutrition organization of the War Services, Pennsylvania State Council of Defense is making an especial effort to reach the families of foreign backgrounds in order to teach them how to preserve their traditional food cultures while still combining these with those additional foods needed for well-balanced meals.

State College Red Cross Club Director in Manila

Among the first American Red Cross women to enter the city of Manila after American forces had routed the Japanese, was Assistant Club Director Alice Thompson of State College. With two others, she was flown in on February 4 by the Sixth Army to assist its Civil Affairs Section in caring for liberated prisoners of war civilian internees.

WHAT OTHER STATES ARE DOING

Michigan — Mount Clemons Civilian Defense Auxiliary Firemen were called out to aid regular firemen battle a large fire in the business district. These auxiliaries were given a large amount of credit for helping to confine the fire to a small area. Auxiliary Policemen were also called out and the Police Chief complimented these men on their valuable service in policing the area during and immediately after the fire.

Washington — Auxiliary Firemen and Policemen throughout the State have been commended for the fine work they have done. They have been asked to continue their services after the war as a valuable asset to their respective communities.

Indiana — Civilian Defense volunteers aided regular Forest Fire Fighters in battling 15 large fires.

Colorado—The Colorado State Legislature has unanimously reenacted the statute continuing State and Local Defense Councils for the coming biennium.

It was pointed out that even though the War with Germany is nearing an end, the World War is only half over and there should be no let-down in effort on the home front. Hence, there is a continuing need for State and Local Councils to be kept functioning and prepared for any eventualities.

Dr. Haas Urges Nutrition Study In Grade Schools

Dr. Francis B. Haas, State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Chairman of the State Council of Defense Advisory Committee on Education, has warmly commended the nutritional activities of the War Services Branch of the State Council. These are under the direction of Dr. Pauline Beery Mack, of State College, who as a volunteer has given service of the utmost value on Nutritional since she became connected with Mrs. Scranton's Staff. In a short time, packets of Nutritional information, much of which is based upon the results of Dr. Mack's researches and scientific tests on nutrition conducted in industrial centers, will be issued to principals of high schools and many grade schools throughout the Commonwealth.

Dr. Haas in a statement upon the CD Nutritional activities says:

"Nutrition is a subject which widely concerns all ages and conditions of people. Reliable information must be made available if the hungry of the world are to be fed and the girls and boys of all lands are to develop sound, healthy bodies

"The Pennsylvania State Council of Defense has been reviewing professional and commercial materials in the field of nutrition prepared by institutions and business houses. The purpose of this study has been to make available those materials which are especially adapted for use in nutrition work in elementary and secondary schools.

"I recommend the work of the Council for your careful consideration and advise you that information concerning the materials for teachers and supervisors may be secured by writing to The Nutritional Program of the State Council of Defense, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Penna."

NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES

Lebanon — The Lebanon County Council of Defense on closing its offices relocated the County Control Center in the Court House at Lebanon which, heretofore, had been used for Council and other meetings. Major H. D. Case reports his organization is carrying on.

Philadelphia—At the recent conferring of over 640 bars in recognition of volunteer service by women in the War Services Branches of Philadelphia, Mrs. E. L. Van Valkenburg, Director of the Civilian Defense Volunteer Offices, received reports indicating that the volunteer service of persons receiving the awards and others who will be similarly honored, represented a savings to the City of Philadelphia of over half-a-million dollars.

Bedford — The Headquarters of Civilian Defense and the warning telephones have been relocated being stationed in the Offices of the Borough in the county seat.

Dauphin—The State Council Headquarters and Colonel Lynn G. Adams, Coordinator of the Pennsylvania Disaster System, have been notified that Major Wilbur McKnight will succeed Major Harvey W. Rankin in matters connected with the Protective Council of the State Council. Major Rankin was injured recently in an automobile accident.

Bucks—Charles W. Miller of Doylestown has been appointed Bucks County Coordinator. He succeeds the late Colonel Churchill Williams who was Chairman of the Bucks County Council of Defense since its organization and also served as coordinator until his recent death.

Schuylkill—Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchison, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense in an address to the graduating class of the Pottsville Hospital School of Nurses highly complimented the contribution of Schuylkill County medical men and especially Major Roger A. Greene, Hospitalization Officer in the Medical Emergency set-up of Civilian Defense. Major Greene conducted a survey of hospitals throughout the State and set-up 62 as Base Hospitals to be used to care for wounded or epidemics.

Philadelphia—James J. McDonald, one of the original Regional Representatives of the State Council of Defense, has been appointed to a position in the Veterans Administration but is giving volunteer help to Civilian Defense and the Disaster System in which his experience and energy are much appreciated.

Dauphin—Half a dozen of the Air Raid Warden Posts in Harrisburg and vicinity are continuing meetings. They have established their headquarters during the air raid days as permanent meeting places and are holding regular meetings and programs. David Sharp is the moving spirit in one in the northern part of Harrisburg which has held public meetings in the Fire House of the Reily Fire Company. L. L. Bowerman is the moving spirit in the Swatara Township Council of Defense which is also holding regular meetings and is keeping its Protective and War Services organizations intact for any call which might come.

Columbia—Mrs. Walter Spofford, Director of Special Activities for the State Council of Defense, and Mrs. Benjamin Ludlow, Director of the Child Care Center Program, were speakers at a meeting under auspices of War Services of Civilian Defense at Millville.

Lackawanna — T. A. Sweet, Executive Officer of the Lackawanna County Council of Defense, has reported the Lackawanna County Blood Bank, which is under the direction of Dr. J. J. O'Connor, Chief Medical Officer, was a notable success and rendered valuable service during the period in which it was activated. In addition to people connected with War Services there was valuable assistance given to the operation of the Blood Bank and recruitment of people by many organizations in the county.

Montgomery—The War Services Division of the Montgomery County Council of Defense has publicly made known its appreciation of the women's clubs in the Montgomery County Federation for their cooperation. Much has been done to aid youngsters from two years of age through the teen-age. The Junior Women's Clubs voted as their project last year to aid Child Care Centers. Two centers were opened in December at Pottstown and Hatboro. The Day Nursery in Jenkintown has received equipment from the State Council.

Lancaster—Lancaster County is doing an outstanding job in the salvage field. While statewide tin can collections dropped 4,376 tons in 1944 from the previous year's record, tin can shipments from Lancaster County increased 95,074 pounds. Last year the state's collections of iron and steel scrap declined sharply the county's shipment of iron and steel scrap increased 227 carloads. "A winner never quits. The quitter never wins", salvage committees have been reminded.

Dauphin — The Harrisburg-Dauphin County Civilian Defense Council will be liquidated by Mayor Howard E. Milliken in compliance with President Truman's action in discontinuing the Office of Civilian Defense. The action, however, does not affect the Harrisburg Disaster Committee, which will continue to function in the same manner as now. Among Federal equipment allocated the council are 15 pumpers for use as emergency fire engines. Each cost approximately $15,000.

Lancaster Nurses Boast Perfect Driving Record

Col. Charles P. Stahl, chairman of the Lancaster County Council, reports that the Visiting Nurse Association of Lancaster, backbone of the Council's Emergency Medical Service, enjoyed a perfect safety driving record for the year ending March 1945.

Tackle Maneuver Problems

(Top) Members of State Disaster Panel at work in State Control Center during the progress of the recent Army disaster test.
(Below) Seated left to right: The late A. Boyd Hamilton, chief of staff; Joseph H. Hutchison, executive officer. Standing: Col. R. M. Mitchell, controller, and Col. Lynn G. Adams, State coordinator.

Consumer News

The Allegheny County Consumer Committee provides regular weekly statements to Pittsburgh Newspapers on foods locally plentiful for week-end buying. These are published Fridays under the heading "The Food Outlook."

In a recent rush survey of 27 counties on the normal availability of margarine to Consumers, 24 reports were received from County Consumer Chairmen within six days. This was done for the Dairy Industries Committee of the State House of Representatives.

The Erie County Consumer Committee is continuing into the fourth year, their regular bi-weekly radio broadcasts.

Mrs. Clarke Miller of Johnstown, President of the Cambria County Federation of Women's Clubs, and Mrs. F. Charles McKenna of Reading, President of Berks County Federation of Women's Clubs, have recently agreed to act as a liaison between their respective counties and the State Advisory Committee on Consumer Interests.

York Panel In Action

The York County Disaster Panel was busily engaged in meeting problems that arose during the recent Army-directed disaster dress rehearsal, when the above photograph was taken. Col. William Beckner, coordinator, is shown at the right.

CDVO BRIEFS

Wilkes-Barre Block Plan under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Bruce Payne and co-chairman Mrs. George Frye and her six district chairmen—Mrs. W. M. Thompson, Mrs. Anne and Phoebe Jenkins, Mrs. Charles Hensley, Mrs. E. G. Smith, Mrs. George O'Neill and Mrs. Charles Shay, Jr., are active in the 7th War Loan Drive.

Miss Bonawitz reports 76.1 still active in War Services in **Montour County.**

Philadelphia CDVO have completed their file clearance, and now report entire registration 42,917 checked with 19,956 registration cards in active file. As a result of this check 805 previously inactive volunteers expressed a desire for placement. 758 of these have been placed.

Wilkes-Barre CDVO are carefully clearing files for active volunteers. An agency study in Wilkes-Barre developed the need for volunteers of various types—some 58 needed at once.

Scranton CDVO actively assisting Mr. Jack McDade, Chairman of Civilian Defense, in the United Nations Clothing Drive.

Erie continues the work started on the survey for the Erie County Historical Society of information about men and women from Erie County in the Armed Forces.

Pittsburgh CDVO has prepared a yearly report which completely covers all lines of activity, outlines purpose, committee activity, recruitment policy, training courses, etc.